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THE FREMONT NEWSLETTER

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TOWN / SCHOOL ELECTIONS

February 27, 2009: Last day for the Town Clerk to accept voter registration applications prior to the March 10, 2009 election.

February 28, 2009: Last day for the Supervisors of the Checklist to accept voter registration applications prior to the March 10, 2009 election. The Supervisors will meet at the Fremont Library between 11:00 and 11:30 am.

March 9, 2009: Last day to request an absentee ballot from the Town Clerk's office. The Clerk will be available during regular office hour's 8:30 am to 12:00 noon (for all business) and also from 3:00 – 5:00 pm (for absentee ballot requests only).

March 10, 2009: Town / School Election Day. Voters may register to vote at the polls during polling hours 7:00 am – 8:00 pm held at the Fremont Safety Complex. A valid driver's license or photo ID and proof of residency is required to register to vote with the Supervisors of the Checklist.

March 13, 2009: Last day for any person for whom a vote was cast to apply to the Town Clerk for a recount. The Clerk will be available during regular office hours 8:30 am to 12:00 noon (for all business) and also from 3:00 – 5:00 pm (for recount requests only).

March 14, 2009: ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING – 5:00 pm at Ellis School. Be sure to attend this important session!

School District Meeting is your opportunity to participate in School District budget decisions that affect your tax rate.

ABSENTEE VOTING ELIGIBILITY

657:1 Absence, Religious Observance, and Disability Absentee Voting. – Any person who is absent on the day of any state election from the city, town, or unincorporated place in which he or she is registered to vote or who cannot appear in public on any election day because of his or her observance of a religious commitment or who is unable to vote there in person by reason of physical disability may vote at such elections as provided in this chapter.

A person who is unable to appear at any time during polling hours at his or her polling place because an employment obligation requires the person to remain physically at work or to be in transit to or from work from the time the polls open until after the time the polls close shall be considered absent for purposes of this chapter.

** Please note: absentee ballot request forms are available at the Town Clerk's Office and can also be downloaded from the Town's website at www.Fremont.nh.gov. You can drop your request form off in person, mail it to the Town Clerk's office or fax it. Mailing address: PO Box 120 Fremont, NH 03044 Fax: 603-895-3149. Please call the Clerk's office at 895-8693 with any questions or concerns you may have. Obtaining an absentee ballot is quite easy and takes but a minute of your time to request one.

QUICK NEWS NOTES

*** The deadline for filing an abatement is March 1, 2009 for the 2008 tax year. Call the Selectmen's Office at 895 2226 if you have any questions. Forms are available in the Selectmen's Office, and on the website at www.Fremont.nh.gov on the Board of Selectmen page.

*** All Town Offices will be CLOSED on Monday February 16, 2009 in observance of President's Day. There is NO DELAY in trash pickup during this holiday week.

*** The two year open position on the Trustee of Trust Funds has been filled with the appointment of Kate Dumas.

SCHOOL PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING

Opens at 7:30 pm Monday February 9, 2009 at the Fremont Town Hall. The snow date is Tuesday February 10, 2009. The Budget Committee will meet at 7:00 pm to review any petition articles.

2009 BACKYARD COMPOSTER SALE

To celebrate Earth Day 2009, the Fremont Energy Committee (FEC) will hold a sale of composters, compost pails, and rain barrels in conjunction with the NRRA. All funds go to NRRA to pay for the items; and Fremont is joining the sale this year in an effort to raise awareness of energy issues and recycling.

The Committee will start taking orders on February 7th at the *Go Green Go Healthy Fair* at Ellis School. The sale will continue through April 3rd. You must pre-order. Order forms will be available at the Town Hall or from Cheryl @ rowells4@myfairpoint.net. You can also download an order form from the Energy Committee page of the Town website at www.Fremont.nh.gov; complete it and submit per form instructions with your payment. All products will be delivered by April 20th in time for Earth Day!

GO GREEN GO HEALTHY

Join the Ellis School at their first annual *Go Green ~ Go Healthy Fair* on February 7th from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm in the Ellis School gym. The event is free and open to the public.

The fair will have a wide range of participants. Wellness booths will include representatives from Breathe NH, NH Healthy Kids, Full Spectrum Wellness, Easter Seals and Serve New England. In addition, a chiropractor and Reiki practitioner will be on hand to discuss mind and body health and a nurse will perform free blood pressure screenings. There will be raffles for bike and ski helmets and gifts certificates for Synergy fitness center in Exeter!

Interested in saving energy? Green living information booths will include solar and geothermal companies as well as our own Fremont Energy Committee. Seacoast Eat Local and Flatbread pizza will have information available as well. Local Girl Scout troops are going green and will be well represented. The Daisy Scouts have challenged all families at Ellis to cancel as many unwanted catalogs as possible. Information on the "Save the Trees" challenge and junk mail cancellation will be available. Brownie Scouts will be demonstrating and giving away recipes for non toxic home cleaners.

Visit the fair for a fun and rejuvenating morning while learning how to save money, green your life and enhance your health and well being!

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